

## Appendix XIV. Database Field Descriptions for Downloaded Data Files

The user may access a description of the data files for each report type in two ways: the **Data Definition** link under the **Resources** caption of the TASS web page or the **Data Download** tab on the Summary pages. These features allow the user to access a listing of the name, type, size and a brief description of each field shown on the Benefit History, Income Discrepancy and Error reports. The fields are listed in the order they are written to the downloadable files.

Appendix IV describes how to access the Benefit History, Income Discrepancy and Error reports by household, PHA, project, or contract. Appendix XIII describes how to download the data files. The following steps describe how to obtain the data definition for the Benefit History and Income Discrepancy report types from the Data Definition link.

1. Click the **data definition** link under the **resources** section of the left navigation bar.

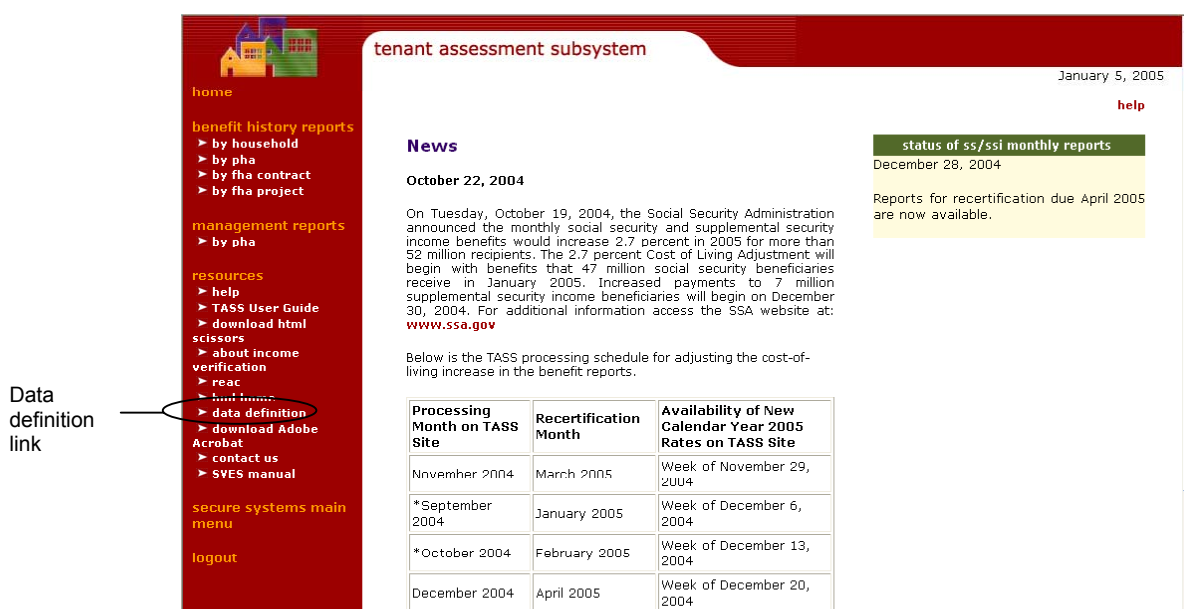


Figure 48. TASS Home Page

2. The **Data Definitions** screen is displayed as shown below.

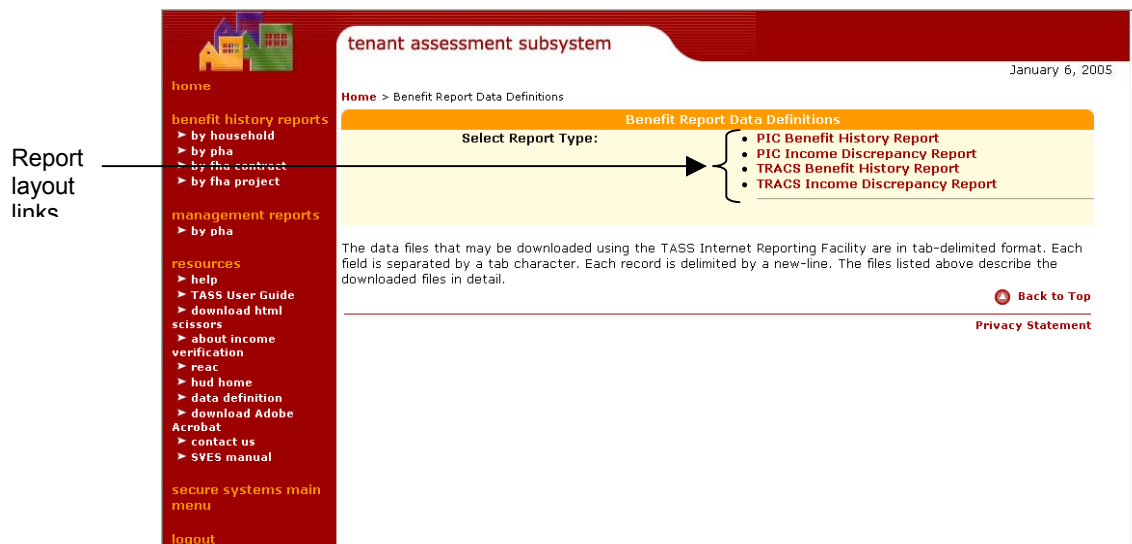


Figure 49. Data Definitions Screen Showing the Available File Descriptions

3. To view the data definition for a report type, click the link to the desired **report layout**.

The data file layout and field description for the report you selected are displayed as shown below.

Database Field Definitions - PIC Benefit History Report		
The data files that may be downloaded using the TASS Internet Reporting Facility are in tab-delimited format. Each field is separated by a tab character. Each record is delimited by a new-line.		
Name	Data Type (Length)	Description
stcd	varchar(2)	The first two characters in HA code
hacd	varchar(3)	Last three characters in HA code
hh_ssn	varchar(9)	Head of Household Social Security Number
program_type_code	varchar(2)	Type defined as follows: L = "Indian Housing (Low Rent)" M = "Indian Housing (Mutual Help)" B = "Indian Housing" CE = "Certificates" MR = "Mod Rehab" P = "Public Housing" VO = "Vouchers" Z = "Unknown"
project_code	varchar(8)	Project code
member_nbr	varchar(2)	Family member number
member_ssn	varchar(9)	Family member Social Security Number
address	varchar(100)	Street address of household
unit_number	varchar(10)	Unit number
city	varchar(30)	Household city
state_code	varchar(2)	Two character state designation

Figure 50. The Report Data Definition screen